

WASHINGTON STATE LABOR FORCE AND EMPLOYMENT
ESTIMATES FOR FEDERAL PROGRAM PURPOSES

October 24, 1985
Benchmark 1984

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	September 1985 Preliminary 1/				August 1985 Revised 1/			
	Labor Force	Employ- ment	Unemploy- ment	Unemp. Rate	Labor Force	Employ- ment	Unemploy- ment	Unemp. Rate
Washington State Total	2,094,400	1,947,200	147,200	7.0	2,090,500	1,939,200	151,300	7.2
Bellingham MSA	52,600	48,600	4,000	7.6	53,400	49,400	4,000	7.5
Bremerton MSA	65,200	61,500	3,700	5.7	65,000	61,400	3,600	5.5
Olympia MSA	62,000	57,500	4,500	7.3	62,600	58,100	4,500	7.2
Seattle PMSA	940,600	883,500	57,100	6.1	942,900	886,100	56,800	6.0
King County	739,100	695,000	44,100	6.0	740,500	697,000	43,500	5.9
Snohomish County	201,500	188,500	13,000	6.5	202,300	189,100	13,200	6.5
Spokane MSA	159,600	148,900	10,700	6.7	158,500	147,700	10,800	6.8
Tacoma PMSA	194,500	179,400	15,100	7.8	193,900	178,600	15,300	7.9
Tri-Cities MSA 2/	71,400	65,900	5,500	7.7	70,800	65,000	5,800	8.2
Vancouver PMSA	96,200	88,900	7,300	7.6	94,300	86,600	7,700	8.2
Yakima MSA	86,800	78,500	8,300	9.6	85,600	75,700	9,900	11.6
Adams	7,360	6,840	520	7.1	7,450	6,770	680	9.1
Asotin	8,550	7,980	570	6.7	8,080	7,520	560	6.9
Clallam	18,820	17,000	1,820	9.7	18,730	17,010	1,720	9.2
Columbia	1,880	1,720	160	8.5	1,970	1,810	160	8.1
Cowlitz	32,780	28,920	3,860	11.8	31,980	28,380	3,600	11.3
Ferry	2,620	2,380	240	9.2	2,550	2,300	250	9.8
Garfield	1,150	1,090	60	5.2	1,170	1,110	60	5.1
Grant	23,130	21,070	2,060	8.9	23,660	21,410	2,250	9.5
Grays Harbor	28,150	25,440	2,710	9.6	28,330	25,650	2,680	9.5
Island	16,770	15,850	920	5.5	16,870	15,890	980	5.8
Jefferson	6,780	6,300	480	7.1	6,780	6,320	460	6.8
Kittitas	10,630	9,840	790	7.4	10,470	9,710	760	7.3
Klickitat	6,660	5,960	700	10.5	6,700	5,950	750	11.2
Lewis	23,400	21,170	2,230	9.5	23,090	20,800	2,290	9.9
Lincoln	4,550	4,370	180	4.0	4,640	4,470	170	3.7
Mason	11,840	11,050	790	6.7	11,810	10,980	830	7.0
Okanogan	13,880	12,090	1,790	12.9	14,680	12,380	2,300	15.7
Pacific	6,510	5,740	770	11.8	6,730	5,860	870	12.9
Pend Oreille	3,910	3,410	500	12.8	4,010	3,480	530	13.2
San Juan	4,500	4,310	190	4.2	4,910	4,730	180	3.7
Skagit	33,510	30,420	3,090	9.2	35,210	32,100	3,110	8.8
Skamania	2,660	2,340	320	12.0	2,620	2,300	320	12.2
Stevens	11,520	10,280	1,240	10.8	11,600	10,370	1,230	10.6
Wahkiakum	1,190	1,040	150	12.6	1,180	1,050	130	11.0
Walla Walla	25,860	24,460	1,400	5.4	25,730	24,180	1,550	6.0
Wenatchee Labor Area 3/	40,930	37,860	3,070	7.5	38,100	33,840	4,260	11.2
Whitman	16,050	15,640	410	2.6	14,690	14,320	370	2.5

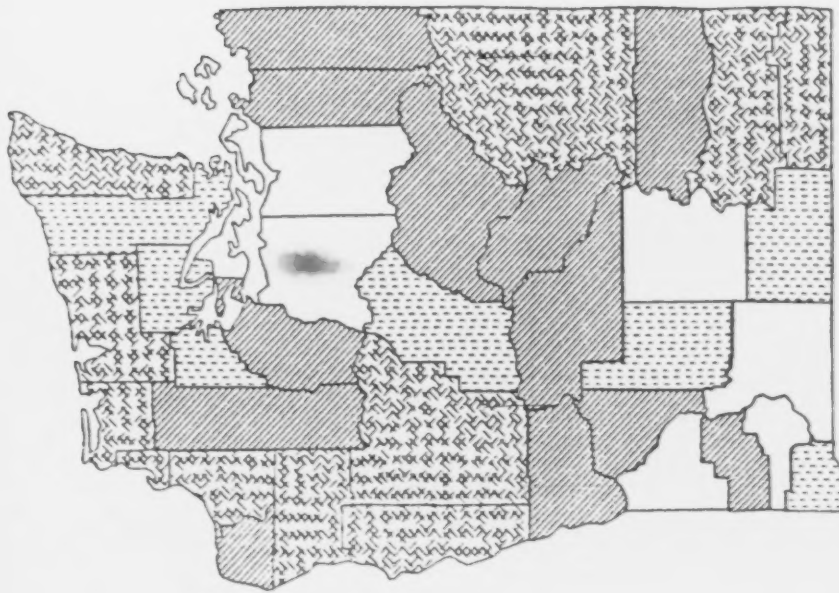
1/ Official U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics data. Data are not comparable with estimates made in previous years.

2/ Includes Benton and Franklin counties.

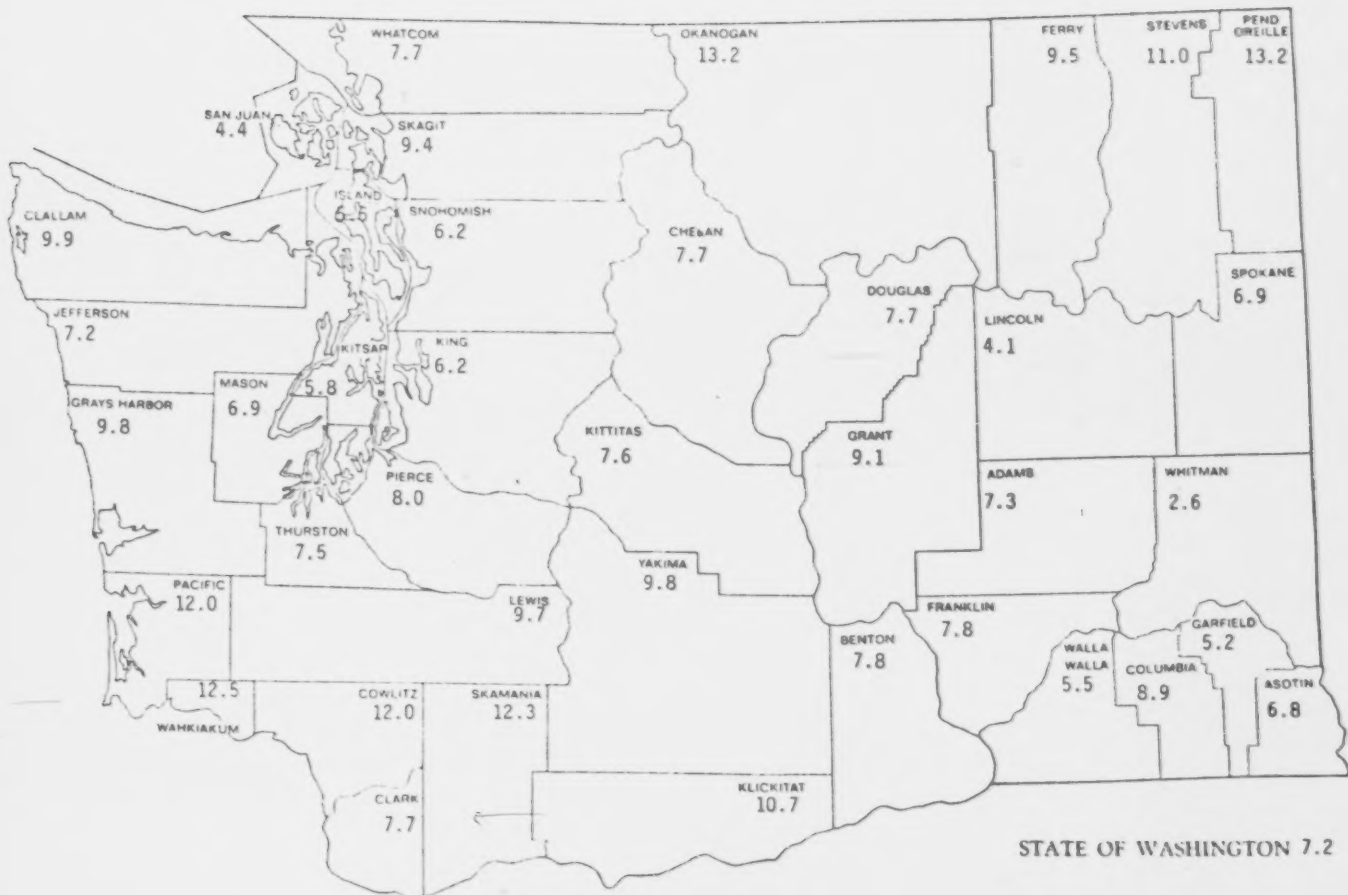
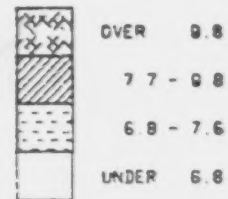
3/ Includes Chelan and Douglas counties.

Note: Detail may not add due to rounding.

Labor Market and Economic Analysis Branch



SEPTEMBER UNEMPLOYMENT RATES



ESTIMATED AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING AND OF
NONSUPERVISORY WORKERS IN NONMANUFACTURING ACTIVITIES, STATE OF WASHINGTON

	AUG. 1985 Prod. or Nonsup. Workers	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
		AUG	JUL	AUG	AUG	JUL	AUG	AUG	JUL	AUG
		1985	1985	1984	1985	1985	1984	1985	1985	1984
TOTAL MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES *	183,700	\$450.45	\$441.50	\$441.98	39.0	37.8	38.5	\$11.55	\$11.68	\$11.48
SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES										
Lumber & wood products.....	34,600	432.78	408.96	403.05	37.6	35.5	35.7	11.51	11.52	11.29
Primary metal industries.....	9,200	505.06	517.00	551.03	39.8	39.8	39.5	12.69	12.99	13.95
Fabricated metal products.....	8,100	457.65	458.00	474.88	39.9	40.0	42.4	11.47	11.45	11.20
Machinery.....	16,300	390.00	369.14	352.47	40.0	37.4	37.9	9.75	9.87	9.30
Food & kindred products.....	26,300	358.49	347.76	364.26	38.3	36.8	39.0	9.36	9.45	9.34
Chemicals & allied products...	5,300	585.74	567.12	534.18	42.2	41.7	41.7	13.88	13.60	12.81
SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES										
Construction.....	66,300	590.74	587.65	589.84	37.2	36.5	36.5	15.86	16.10	16.16
Wholesale and retail trade....	260,300	319.59	321.90	318.01	34.7	34.8	35.1	9.21	9.25	9.06
(excludes eating & drinking places)										

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ESTIMATED AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING AND OF
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	SEP. 1985 Prod. or Nonsup. Workers	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
		SEP 1985	AUG 1985	SEP 1984	SEP 1985	AUG 1985	SEP 1984	SEP 1985	AUG 1985	SEP 1984
TOTAL MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES *	184,700	\$459.76	\$448.13	\$451.21	39.6	38.9	39.1	\$11.61	\$11.52	\$11.54
SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES										
Lumber & wood products.....	34,200	457.00	420.26	437.75	39.1	36.8	37.9	11.69	11.42	11.55
Primary metal industries.....	9,200	512.60	503.07	541.75	40.4	39.8	39.4	12.69	12.64	13.75
Fabricated metal products.....	8,500	448.50	441.18	479.86	39.0	38.7	41.8	11.50	11.40	11.48
Machinery.....	16,500	396.37	388.63	371.47	40.2	39.9	39.9	9.86	9.74	9.31
Food & kindred products.....	27,100	351.16	362.29	353.82	37.8	38.5	38.5	9.29	9.41	9.19
Chemicals & allied products...	5,200	611.89	585.31	551.20	43.8	42.2	41.6	13.97	13.87	13.25
SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES										
Construction.....	69,300	583.20	597.55	603.10	36.0	37.3	37.0	16.20	16.02	16.30
Wholesale and retail trade....	262,000	325.38	323.27	323.76	34.8	35.1	35.5	9.35	9.21	9.12
(excludes eating & drinking places)										

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